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a first opening therethrough, the first opening being adapted to receive a rotatable shaft and to enable the rotatable flinger to form a compression seal against the rotatable shaft; and an outer flange disposed external to the cover to fling material that comes into contact with the outer flange away from the bearing assembly.

- 2. (Amended) The bearing assembly as recited in claim 1, wherein the rotatable flinger has an inner flange, the inner and outer flanges having a greater diameter than a second opening through the cover, the inner and outer flanges cooperating with a portion of the cover surrounding the second opening to secure the rotatable flinger to the cover.
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- 7. (Amended) The bearing assembly as recited in claim 1, wherein the bearing insert comprises a plurality of roller bearings.

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- 13. (Amended) A sealing assembly for forming a seal between a bearing assembly and a rotatable shaft, comprising:
  - a cover removably securable to a bearing housing; and
- a rotatable member securable to the cover and adapted to receive the rotatable shaft therethrough, the rotatable member being configured to form a seal against the rotatable shaft and to rotate therewith to fling liquids or solids that come into contact with the rotatable member away from the cover.

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- 22. (Amended) A method of assembling a bearing assembly for supporting a rotatable shaft, comprising the acts of:
- engaging a rotatable shaft with a flinger operable to rotate with the rotatable shaft and form a compression seal therewith;

positioning the rotatable shaft through a portion of a bearing insert;

rotatably securing the flinger to a removable cover by disposing the cover between an inner flanged portion of the flinger and an outer flanged portion of the flinger; and

securing the cover to a bearing housing.